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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re application of:

Wen-Ben CHOU et al.

Application No: 09/998,858

Filed: October 31, 2001

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR NITRIDE  
PACER ETCH PROCESS IMPLEMENTING  
-IN SITU INTERFEROMETRY ENDPOINT  
DETECTION AND NON-INTERFEROMETRY  
ENDPOINT MONITORING

) Docket No: LAM2P295

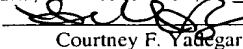
) Examiner: Chen, K.

) Group Art Unit: 1765

) Date: February 9, 2004

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

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Sir:

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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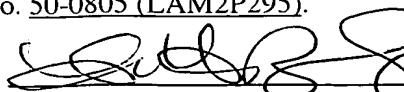
2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months.
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. Fees

- a. ☒ Check in the amount of \$880.00 is enclosed for:
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e);
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17); and
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (LAM2P295).

Date: February 9, 2004

  
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